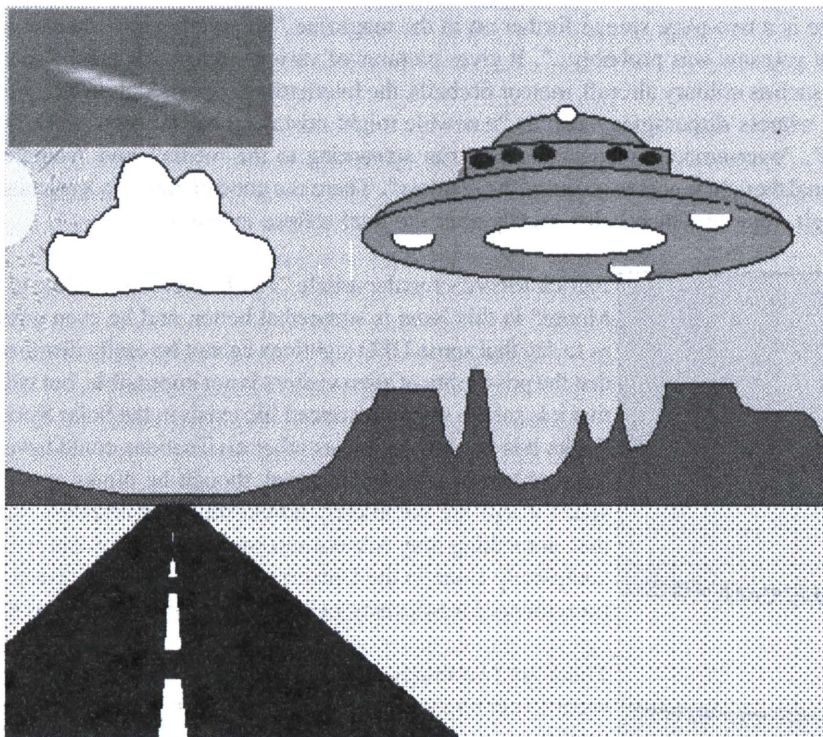


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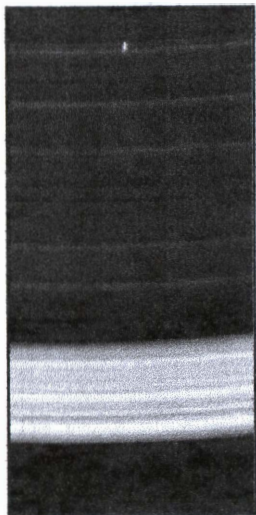


**Newsletter of the STAR Fellowship**

### UFO SIGHTINGS FLOOD SKY AT NIGHT MAGAZINE

The number of UFO sightings recently seems to have impacted on *Sky at Night Magazine*, as the editor, in the editorial, says it is the subject of more letters and emails to them than any other. He begins by casting doubt on the quality of the observations and the reporting of them, then says that although odd things do occur in space, nobody will convince him that aliens have visited Earth (a very definite and final statement). He hopes that those reporting them are not disappointed when told they are definitely misinterpretations of known objects, and then goes on to say he hopes they are still curious (even though, apparently, he is not).

There is a two-page spread further on in the magazine "So you thought you saw a UFO? What you saw was probably...". It gives pictures of various things that can be seen in the sky, such as military aircraft, meteor fireballs, the International Space Station etc., well laced with witness disparaging, such as "a newbie might mistake them for an unworldly spacecraft", "over-anxious witnesses might run screaming to the media", and "sometimes all rational thought seems to go out of the window". There is a good picture of a lenticular cloud, though - one of which I saw shortly after the total eclipse in Turkey.



*Cassini Saturn  
cigar*

Patrick Moore's regular article "The Universe according to Patrick Moore" in this issue is somewhat better, and he even goes so far as to say that some UFO sightings cannot be easily dismissed, and that the possibility of alien visitors is not impossible, but still insists that it is safe to say no advanced life exists in the Solar System. He thinks it is not impossible as other civilisations could have solved the problem of interstellar travel, though he thinks anything like space warps are completely unrealistic. Nevertheless, he thinks that something may rule out interstellar travel, or that we may be completely alone in the Universe after all. And he insists there is no evidence for any visits so far, even though he mentions Roswell.

There are two things connected with *Sky at Night Magazine* that seem to contradict this "no evidence" stance, and both have been published in previous issues of *Amskaya*. One was the cigar-shaped object travelling across Saturn's rings, in a movie clip on one of the magazine's CD-ROMs. (It was made from pictures from the Cassini probe). The other is the erratically-moving object that

I photographed during totality in the eclipse in Turkey - I took five pictures, each of which showed one object as well as the eclipsed Sun, always in a different position but in a feasible line of movement. The trip was organised by *Sky at Night Magazine*.

### MORE ORANGE LIGHTS

A BBC comments page has generated a number of recent reports of orange-light UFOs - many of them over Wales:

Brian, Old Colwyn Tue Oct 20 2009

Last Wednesday evening (14th Oct 09) at about 1845hrs I had just arrived home (Old Colwyn on the N Wales coast) and was unloading my car. It was a very still evening with no wind and little cloud but with large clear patches out over the N Wales coast about 2-3 miles to the North. My wife came out to help, next thing she said - 'oh, what's that up there?' I looked up and saw what I first thought was the locally based police helicopter which frequents the area, it is based a few miles down the coast from me. It was about 1000ft and heading slowly inland from the coast heading in a south direction. It had a large single orange light (non-flashing) on the front so at this point was not properly visible. Also, it was completely noiseless, (if it had been the police helicopter or indeed a plane I would have heard it by now.)

At this point I thought it was an airliner as we are close to a major route (BRAVO 1), but soon realised that this craft (?) was way off route and was far too low. I rushed into the house to get my binoculars. By this time the object appeared to be climbing at a steady rate, but very slow and the orange light began to fade. I focused my binoculars and saw the light fade out. I expected to see the fuselage of either a helicopter or airliner or small plane - not so! To my amazement it was a black featureless object, estimated at least the size of a family car (probably much larger) which seemed to be oscillating or spinning and still completely noiseless. It had no wings, rotors or tailplane and no lights - I can describe it as a large cube shape with the sides distorting or slowly oscillating. I passed the binoculars to my wife who confirmed the same - 'a black not quite square object'. At this point it was difficult to see with the naked eye as the daylight was fading fast, however the object began to turn to the left parallel to the coast still travelling slowly at about 1000-1500 ft (estimated). At this point I lost it in the accumulating cloud and I went into the house.

About 10 mins later (about 1900hrs) I came out again and to my amazement saw the object again in the same position and height speed etc and with a single non-flashing orange light. As it got closer the light faded to reveal the same black object (no wings, rotors or tailplane). It again then turned to the left and disappeared into cloud. I again waited about 10 mins to see if it would return however by this time it was getting too dark and also the clouds were increasing. I have lived on the North Wales coast for 52 years and am used to seeing airliners and military jets (the area is used by the RAF for low level training) and also BAE Warton is located across Irish sea near Blackpool, however I am an experienced 'planespotter' and I know what I saw! - this object was no (conventional!) plane or helicopter and was completely noiseless with no wings, rotors or tailplane. It couldn't have been a weather balloon because it changed direction and did 2 circuits / orbits in windless conditions. I doubt if it was a hang glider flying in near darkness (they don't have large orange lights on



them do they?). It was not the local police helicopter or plane. It was not the ISS (international space station) or space debris or satellite because it was too low (not in earth orbit). It was not a meteor because they are fast moving when returning to earth. Whatever this was (Black triangle, Military UAV or indeed alien craft!!) I do not know, however, it was my first sighting and I am convinced that it was 'intelligently controlled' and not artificial.

Sandra Taylor, Kinmel Bay, Wed Oct 14 2009

At 11.45pm Saturday 10th Oct 2009 I was about to go to bed. I opened my back door to let my two dogs out. As I stood at the doorway I saw a bright orange light in the sky above Towyn. My first thought was a fireball. The object kept moving and as it got opposite to me its shape had altered to an oblong shape, but still bright orange. There was no noise whatsoever. I stood there fascinated by this object, trying to figure out what it was. It hovered for about one minute, still no noise so I knew it wasn't an aircraft. It then moved towards the east over Rhyl and then seemed to pick up speed, changing direction, then disappeared. I have never seen anything like this before. It was definitely not a helicopter or any other aircraft. It was approx 4 miles up and when it was opposite to me it looked like a street light spinning round.

Barry, Wrexham, Mon Oct 5 2009

My friend and I were in his garden burning logs on his burner, it was between 11.30pm and 11.45pm. We saw two white lights in the distance coming over. At first we thought they were Chinese lanterns but as they got closer we knew different. They came right over us slow then sped off there was no sound. I could see like a circle underneath with segments around it then within seconds two more appeared and followed. My friend and I thought we'd better not tell anyone in case they thought we were mad and ribbed us over it.

Kun Mon Sep 21 2009

Saturday 19/09/09, 19:57. With four workmates we saw about 8 orange objects flying over Whitby park in Ellesmere Port. They glided over the park very slowly and made no sound at all. They were not very high in the sky. In a flash they disappeared. Can the RAF at least say something concerning these events. Maybe it's the new aircrafts the RAF are yet to inform us about...

Soocee, Wirral Mon Sep 14 2009

10th Sept 2009 Time: 20.38-20.45. Eight orange lights travelling slowly along Dee Estuary North to South, 2 were together followed at regular intervals by 6 others travelling singly. No noise. Lights seemed to turn towards Welsh hills then faded away. One aircraft was travelling south-west to north-east and appeared to pass between 2 of them (unknown height.)

Richard, Chester Mon Sep 7 2009

Saturday 5th September 2009 20:50pm. I was walking along Hereford Road in Great Boughton, in CHESTER. I looked up and saw what looked like an orange ball of fire flying across the sky. At first I thought it was a plane on fire about to crash, but it stayed at the same height, went extremely fast into the horizon, didn't make any noise, or have any trail of smoke behind it. Another witness near me said it could've been a comet going over the earth, but we are usually told when comets will be visible to us by astronomers on the news etc. I have had three UFO experiences now, but this one is the best as I wasn't alone seeing it. My brother described the same object and experience a few months ago, now I have seen it and believe him.

Jamie, Southampton Mon Sep 7 2009

What looked like balls of fire in the sky rising, at first there was just one, then two then as one went out another was sent into the sky so there was always two. This was about 3:10 - 4 am last night (Sunday early morning) seemed to be coming from Southampton city centre. These things were huge.

Wayne, Hemsworth, West Yorkshire Mon Sep 7 2009

Sat. 5th Sept. at around 23.00 my partner and I were startled by a very bright red/orange glow through the window (we have a loft bedroom). We got up and opened the window to have a better look, it was travelling in a northerly direction towards our house and then turned and headed east going quite slowly. I had by this time got out my binoculars and observed it through them to see that there were no flashing under lights like aircraft have. There was no sound coming from it ie. jet or rotary engine noise and I would say that it was only a few hundred feet up! I would say that it appeared to be about 4 or 5 times the size of the brightest stars in the sky. It took a few minutes before it was too dim to see it in the distance. I then got my camera and went back to the window to look out again, just as I had done so another one appeared from the west heading east. This second one was a lot closer and much brighter, it flew much like the same speed as the other and this time I got it on camera. The brightness of it was quite intense and was caught on camera due to this, if it had been a normal aircraft my camera would have not picked it up as it would have been too dim. This also made no sound which made it very spooky.

J, S & K, Lancashire Tue Sep 1 2009

Sunday 30th August 2009. We were driving home from Chester at approx 11.30pm (3 of us) approaching the roundabout before M53 junction. We noticed a lot of orange glowing lights in the sky, quite low. Probably 50 or more in two large groups. From a South/West Wales direction moving towards the Warrington area. Stopped the car & got out to have a closer look. All of the objects appeared the same. Vivid orange circle types with a clear fire/flame in the middle. All moving at the same constant speed, at the same constant height, no noise at all, more of them continued to come for a few minutes then the last 2 or 3 disappeared into the distance. Not sure what speed, but was a bit like watching a passenger

plane going overhead in terms of how long they were visible. Took a photo & video of last few on mobile, not too clear. We could only think of hot air balloons due to the flame/no noise? Very odd, can anyone confirm if they saw same or explain what these are?

Mr & Mrs Cooper, West Midlands Tue Sep 1 2009

We have just seen [Sunday, 10:30pm] two bright lights in the sky - looked like 2 fireballs coming in from the North moving at an extremely fast pace in complete silence. Time we got our camera out the lights vanished into the clouds. I know some people are saying these are Chinese lanterns but we have seen Chinese lanterns before and they do not resemble the sight we saw tonight. Definitely something strange happening in our skies.

Joanne, Burton, Wirral Tue Sep 1 2009

My husband and I were driving through Willaston Saturday at about 9.30 when we saw approx 20 orange globes/lanterns in the sky. They were so bright and unusual that we stopped the car to look closely. They travelled upwards moving in sync and then vanished into the sky slowly. It was very strange we have been racking our brains to think logically what it could have been.

Kristina, Cambridge Tue Sep 1 2009

We noticed orange lights, but I believe they are Thai Sky Lanterns. Very beautiful all the same!

Lynne, Chester Fri Aug 28 2009

Saturday August 22 09 between 9-10pm. I saw 5 orange lights in the sky and I filmed it on my camera. Weird stuff. They were travelling north, totally silent, moving steady and quite fast. They appeared to have a halo or just looked blurry and out of focus in some way.

Michelle Morris Thu Aug 27 08:46:24 2009

Myself and mum just witnessed 3 orange lights going in same direction at few minute intervals - over Black Rock Sands Porthmadog. Thought they might be hot air balloons but it is very dark at 12.30am at night and they travelled too fast and disappeared quickly. Anyone else seen this?

Phil Coulston, Huntingdon Cambridgeshire Thu Aug 27 2009

Just finishing a walk when a procession of about 15 orange lights was visible coming over the town. They travelled south to north silently and twinkled line astern and then disappeared. I don't believe they could be Chinese lanterns as the last two were almost side by side and the rear one veered off a little and then continued. I rang Huntingdon police but no one else seems to have noticed - fortunately my wife was with me and we called our daughter out to see too. Well well!

Ian, Widnes Tue Aug 25 2009

Amazed to see other reports of orange lights in the sky. Just walked home from the pub

following Liverpool's humiliating home defeat to Aston Villa. It was 10pm when my girlfriend and me were walking along the road towards our house, we both saw an orange light travelling from south to north (left to right as we looked at it), no sound and moving in a constant straight line, too fast to be a plane, far too slow to be a satellite & too bright to be a Chinese lantern. The light was bright orange, not red or green and after travelling for approx 15 seconds seemed to disappear! Will be keeping my eye out the next few nights.

Dean, Woodford Tue Aug 25 09:47:00 2009

On 23rd August 2 friends arrived at my house, totally freaked out by the fact that they had spotted at least 15 orange lights in the sky, which then in several groups shot off into the sky at a 45 degree angle. They said at first they thought it might have been air balloons but by the way they shot off, they realised that they were moving way too fast to have been. There were meant to have been plane lights in the air which made it even easier to make a comparison. Anyone else see these lights?

Richard Mears Mon Aug 24 2009

23rd August 2009 Newport south Wales. Me and 3 friends saw a bright orange/red ball slowly moving and sometimes stopping across the sky going towards Newport centre from Tradegar park area, it was almost like a giant fire ball and looked like it was on fire but moved so slowly. I've managed to get a short clip on my phone wish I'd had a better quality camera to hand though! So many people must have seen this...I wish I'd called the police to log it and them to look up as they definitely would have seen it.

Jill Willcock, Stockport Mon Aug 24 15:55:01 2009

Well I don't know what to think. I'm naturally sceptical but saw some orange lights in the sky I couldn't explain. Two of them in seeming formation, they crossed the sky from south to north (my husband saw another pair before he called me outside to see). They were not planes. We live near Manchester airport and there were plenty of planes around. What we saw was nothing like aeroplanes. I googled 'UFOs' and this site came up. Nearly everyone has seen orange lights. If they are all Chinese lanterns a has been suggested, someone must be releasing them almost every night. I'm not convinced they are ETs but would love another convincing explanation. Chinese lanterns just don't wash!

Jill Arnold, Carmarthen Mon Aug 24 2009

We have seen five of these orange lights tonight at about 9.30pm floating through the sky and then disappearing. We also saw them on Wednesday night, whilst staying in Polzeath in Cornwall on Wednesday night, at about the same time, would love to know what they are. Any ideas?

Joan Price, Denbigh Mon Aug 24 2009

On Thursday 20 August 2009 between 22.00 and 23.40 ten spherical lighted objects passed in series over the Denbigh area travelling towards Rhyl. They were silent. We caught the



later ones on video.

Natalie, Wolverhampton Fri Aug 21 2009

Around 9:35pm I was walking home from the cinema with my boyfriend and I spotted a bright orange flashing light in the sky...it was more like a flashing fire ball! So my boyfriend decided to record it however we recorded it for a few seconds then it suddenly disappeared! When we went to my house we decided to play it again... this time it was going across the sky, it was going crazy. We also noticed 2 other mysterious lights. However we came on this site and it shocked us even more to find out people saw it around the same time as us.

Brian, London Wed Aug 19 2009

About 10.15 pm on 17 August 2009 I was in my garden just gazing in to the sky and saw a strange red fire ball in the sky. There was no noise and at first I thought it was a plane on fire. It lasted for about 4 min and then went out of view. Strange, I have never seen anything like that in my life.

Rich King, Carnoustie Tue Aug 18 2009

Last week on Wednesday 12 Aug 09 I went to take the dog for her usual late night walk at about 10 pm. Walking down Burnside Street in Carnoustie a bright light caught my eye. It was up in the sky to my right. The sky was just turning from dusk to dark and the sheer brightness was brilliant, and very noticeable. The brightness was such that it looked like a ball of flame in the sky. It would be between 100 and 200 metres above rooftop level travelling in a direction south east. I could actually see what I took to be flames burning up in a vertical maner. The flames did not tail out behind it as you would get with a comet or shooting star. My first thoughts was that this was an aircraft on fire about to crash, but it made no noise and stayed straight and level on its heading. I can't say it was a machine of any kind because I did not see anything behind the "flames". I would estimate the flames to be the size of a small car. My next thought as to rationalise this was that it was a weather balloon, but I quickly discounted that idea because there was not a breath of wind in the air that night. I ran down Burnside St towards the golf course because that was where it was heading, keeping it in sight the whole time. When I got to the railway bridge I stood on top and kept the object in sight. As I stood watching the object made its way over the golf course, again on a level constant heading and direction south west, about 400 metres to the right of the golf hotel, and went out to sea, until it would have been roughly in line with St Andrews, where the brightness faded and faded until it just winked out of sight.

Jim and Tanya, Clitheroe Mon Aug 17 2009

My girlfriend and I were walking accross a nearby field at around ten o'clock on 15/08/09 when we saw what looked like a Chinese lantern emerge from behind a row of trees around 20 feet ahead of us, flickering a vivid orange glow. It moved accross our path slowly until we took a flash picture of it when it turned away from us and accelerated silently into the sky disappearing, altogether, from sight within the space of 15-20 seconds.

### Howard Menger dies

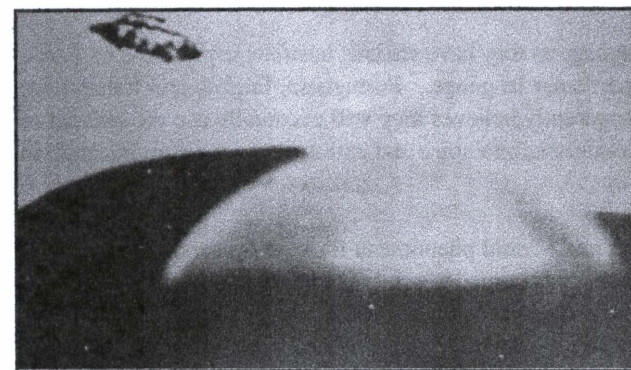
It was reported on the UFOmystic web site that contactee Howard Menger died at his home in Vero Beach Florida on February 25th, 8 days after his 87th birthday. He is survived by Connie Menger, his wife of over 50 years, four children, (two by a former marriage) and many grandchildren.

In 1956, he appeared on the Long John Nebel radio show, along with contactee George Van Tassel, and talked about contacts with space people who appeared to him beginning when he was ten years old. He produced the book *From Outer Space to You*, about his contact experiences..

He saw his first saucer in 1932 in New Jersey; in a wooded glade near his home he met a beautiful, long-haired girl wearing a translucent ski suit. She said she was contacting those of her own kind. In the army ten years later he saw saucers in the American desert; once he was met by a tanned man with blond hair who asked him to come with him. He refused, but later found it had been a space person. Later he met another space woman on a number of occasions, who revealed the development of the Aztecs and older civilisations. The power mechanism of the ships was explained.



**Howard Menger and his free energy machine**



**This picture was allegedly taken on the Moon, showing a spacecraft landing near a dome-shaped building**

He later denied this on the TV documentary about contactees, *Farewell Good Brothers*. However, he seemed confused as to why the bases he saw on the Moon have never been confirmed by astronauts.

A trip to the Moon was part of the account, and he had photographs allegedly taken on the trip. He mentioned seeing scientists from Earth - Chinese, American and others - working in dome-shaped buildings.

He also claimed to have made free energy machines, one of which Tony Wedd tried to reproduce. It was said that he had renounced the claims, but

He also had been influenced by the overwhelming apparent scientific evidence for the hostility of the environments of the planets, and suggested that the Venusians who he met could be just colonists on the planet. This is confirmation of his story, for he is obviously trying to reconcile the conflicting concepts of his memory of his contacts and the claims of the people to be from Venus and the seeming evidence that the other planets cannot support life.

<http://www.ufomystic.com>

#### **Electronic Voice Phenomena communication with extraterrestrials.**

The phenomenon of EVP has been reported quite a lot in connection with communication with spirits, but since the time of Tony Wedd's friend Philip Rodgers and his amazing tape communications, there have been no reports of extraterrestrial communication - until now. (See <http://www.spacevoice.fsnet.co.uk> for the full Philip Rodgers story).

Thais Campos, in an article on Instrumental Transcommunication on [http://ufo.suite101.com/article.cfm/instrumental\\_transcommunication](http://ufo.suite101.com/article.cfm/instrumental_transcommunication) writes that Brazilian researcher Sonia Rinaldi, founder of the Instrumental Transcommunication Advanced Research Institute (IPATI), ([www.ipati.org](http://www.ipati.org)) has used an empty TV channel and a CD with random recorded phonemes to receive messages from the dead. The photons from the TV channel are apparently manipulated to create images, and the random phonemes from the CD become sentences.

Some communications, however, seemed to have different patterns. They claimed to come from other planets, and said the originators were working to communicate with humans via electronic equipment. The images captured did not look human.

They can apparently use any language as they have stations in strategic positions on Earth, each of which operates with a particular language. Portuguese, English and Italian have been received so far. Rinaldi apparently believes they will eventually use the internet to communicate, and research is continuing into spirit and extraterrestrial communication in parallel.

Thais Campos has been studying paranormal phenomena for over 5 years, working as an assistant for independent researchers who aimed to prove scientifically the existence of life after death. He also took part in a project of Instrumental Transcommunication with great results having collaborated for articles that were published both in Brazil and abroad.

He has given lectures in Brazil about many subjects related to life after death research. He has studied Past Lives Therapy with a group of independent researchers who have been studying to develop new techniques of therapy, helping people improve their lives through self knowledge.

#### **Possible contact revealed in MOD files**

A boomerang-shaped object seen from an airport control tower and a woman's encounter with an "alien" are among the secrets revealed in official UFO files.

The woman reported seeing a glowing, spherical object rise into the air in Norwich after meeting a man who said he came from a planet similar to Earth. In another sighting, a triangular craft hovered then "shot off at 500mph".

The third set of UFO documents to be released by the Ministry of Defence covers the period from 1987 to 1993.

In November 1989 a "completely terrified" woman contacted RAF Wattisham in Suffolk to report her close encounter with a man claiming to be an alien.

She said she met the fair-haired man with a Scandinavian-type accent as she walked her dog on a sports field.

He told her crop circles were caused by others like him who had travelled to Earth and that the purpose of his visit was friendly.

He then said he had spoken to her because he felt it was important to have contact with humans even though he was told not to.

As the unidentified woman ran home she heard a loud buzzing noise and turned to see a large, spherical object, glowing orange-white, rise steadily until out of sight.

A letter from RAF Wattisham to the MoD and Norfolk police described it as "one of our more unusual UFO reports".

Three years later two air traffic controllers at London's Heathrow Airport reported seeing a black, inverted boomerang-shaped UFO from their control tower. It was stationary then moved steadily in the morning sun, the files say.

The files, which can be downloaded from the National Archives website, are being released as part of a three-year project. These latest documents are the first containing information written by defence intelligence staff to be made public.

Dr Clarke said they were among tens of thousands of secret files contaminated with asbestos and were in danger of being destroyed. They were eventually saved after a campaign by historians to rescue them from the old War Office building in Whitehall.

*From BBC News site*



## **THE HIDDEN UNITY and BEGINNINGS**

*The Hidden Unity* looks at the strange phenomenon of subconscious siting of ley points, and notes that places of worship, of all religions and all ages, tend to predominate on leys. The environmental and philosophical implications of this are discussed, and the apparent necessity of worship but irrelevance of doctrine. Two ley centres are given as examples, and investigated in depth - the Shah Jehan Mosque in Woking and the Guru Nanak Sikh Temple, Scunthorpe. There is an appendix by Eileen Grimshaw on the significance of the Pagan religion to this study. Illustrated with photographs, maps and line drawings. **£2 plus 30p p&p from the Amskaya address. Please make cheques payable to J. Goddard.**

*Beginnings* is about a series of potentially useful discoveries, mainly made by Jimmy Goddard over a period of about twenty years, but having some overlap with discoveries made by others. For various reasons, the investigations are all in their early stages, and some have not been continued. They include earth energy detection, natural antigravity, subconscious siting, ley width, and the solar transition effect. There is also a chapter on cognitive dissonance - a psychological factor which seems to have been at the root of all bigotry - scientific, religious and other - down the ages. The booklet is concluded with an account of the discovery of leys by Alfred Watkins. **£2 plus 30p p&p from the Amskaya address. Please make cheques payable to J. Goddard.**

### **EARTH PEOPLE, SPACE PEOPLE**

In 1961, Tony Wedd produced a manuscript *Earth Men, Space Men*, detailing many claims of extraterrestrial contact. It was never published, and I had thought it was lost, though it has recently been located - Tony had given it to Timothy Good. To try to make up for the loss in a much more modest size, this booklet was prepared. As well as giving details of some of the more prominent contact claims, there are articles on the history of the STAR Fellowship and some of its personalities, evidence for life in the Solar System and investigation into extraterrestrial language.

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